

New Jersey State Mobile Intensive Care Advisory Council
December 08, 2003
Meeting Minutes

Dr. Waxler called the meeting to order at 10:21 a.m.

The minutes for the September 2003 New Jersey State Mobile Intensive Care Advisory Council Meeting were approved.

MICU FUTURE PLANNING

DR. JENNIFER WAXLER

No Report

MEDICATIONS/DEVICES

DR. WILLIAM GLUCKMAN

LMA Pilot

- Train-the-trainer program to be rolled out with Paramedics and EMT-Instructors as initial trainers; 8 hour day, first 4 hours training, second 4 hours skills training with skills verification.
- First quarter of 2004 start-up. Date to be finalized.
- Two committee meetings, first meeting to focus on training and curriculum, second meeting, administrative elements. Standardized charting, Medical Director roll-out, schedule to be announced (Dates to be finalized)
- Paramedic buy-in critical for success of LMA. Acceptance of procedure in the MICU community will ease transition into BLS community. BLS community is concerned that ALS will discard or remove LMA to place endotracheal tube. LMA is effective to control a non-compromised airway.

ReaPro Study

- Pre-hospital study for anticoagulant therapy.
- Study inclusion criteria:
 - Acute ST elevation \geq 1mm in 2 or more leads
 - S/S of AMI
- Pilot to begin in February 2004 running for 1 year
- UMDNJ only hospital for pilot
- Every ST elevation MI would get ReaPro with cardiac catheterization to immediately follow from one of three cath labs.

- Any study, involving human subject participation, requires that all focus group members receive a comprehensive training course on study effects to the human subject. All paramedics will receive training through a web-based course.
- 100% QA for all patients involved in ReaPro study.
- OEMS to receive all study data exclusive of patient name.
- Motion to allow study to move forward with stated parameters carried.

STANDING ORDERS

DR. WELBER

No Report

LEGISLATION

DR. DAVID SCHRECK

No Report

EMS COUNCIL

DR. JIM PRUDEN

Blue Ribbon Panel

- Commissioner reviewed documents from Blue Ribbon Panel, recommended that EMS response time frames be removed.
- New preamble to be drafted

Medical Dispatch Guide cards

- Dispatch Guide cards have been approved by the Commissioner and are now in the Office of Information Technologies for publication. The Clawson cards were approved with New Jersey specific modifications.

EMSC

- A school nurse training program for disaster preparedness is in progress till the fall of 2004. This program will education school nurses on their role in the event the school is converted into a shelter during a large scale incident. The one day program will also incorporate training on managing small scale incidents that could happen during school hours.

NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION OF PARAMEDIC PROGRAMS

Mr. Martin Hogan

Group will define MCI regulation exception criteria, clarifying exemptions from regulations during MCI. These clarifications will include criteria for calling an MCI,

who may initiate an MCI, and what regulations will be exempted. These criteria will be flexible enough to allow units to operate, but strict enough that very specific parameters are set.

JEMSTAR PROGRAM

DR. JOSEPH HUMMEL

No Report

OEMS

MS. KAREN HALUPKE

December 01, 2003, the department fell under the new division of
*"Public Health Protection and Prevention Programs/Emergency
Preparedness and Response"*

James Blumenstock- Deputy Commissioner

David Gruber- Assistant Commissioner

- Comments continue to be answered in regard to the regulations. Push is on to have all comments finished and regulations to legal by the end of the month.
- There will be a meeting with the State Medical Examiner on Wednesday December 17, 2003 to discuss the pronouncement policy. Results will be shared.
- Electronic patient care report (ePCR)- reporting meeting was held November 25, 2003, 29 out of 31 programs participated in discussions and vendor review. Overwhelming approval was driven toward Medusa (LifeNet EMS program solution) and walk-about tablet PC's. The state of New Jersey is looking to supply hardware/software for all currently licensed primary vehicles. Programs will be responsible to provide any additional units and the wireless contracts to enable data transmission. The new system has the ability to incorporate CAD information, produce a patient care report, import data from the monitor, and send a fax copy of the completed chart to the receiving hospital along with billing information in an electronic format right to the billing department/company. The configuration of how the servers will be placed is under consideration at this time. Access to generic state data collection for statistical comparison will be available to all programs. Security and anonymity will be ensured.

Motion made to aggressively explore electronic charting implementation and usage. Carried

EDUCATION

Mr. Robert Clawson

Paramedic re-certification cards have been mailed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Meeting adjourned 11:10 p.m.

Next Meeting

March 8, 2004
New Jersey Hospital Association
Princeton, New Jersey

2004 Dates

March 8, 2004
June 14, 2004
September 13, 2004
December 13, 2004

Motions

- Motion made to approve ReaPro study using the MICU and the parameters of acute ST elevation to commence at the UMDNJ. Motion carried.
- Motion made to aggressively explore, implement, and use electronic patient charting system in the MICU arena. Motion carried.